proper selection of persons living below the poverty line under these schemes;

(d) in what manner these schemes are being monitored by the Central and State Governments; and

(e) whether Government propose to consider the involvement of non-officials, experts and academicians also in the monitoring of these projects so that the reported gross misuse of funds and improper selection of beneficiaries is checked?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has reported that the data reporting system under Self-Employment Programme for Urban Poor (SEPUP) and Self-Employment Scheme for Educated Unemployed Youth (SEEUY) do not generate the information in the manner asked for. A study conducted in 26 States|Union Territories in respect of SEEUY loans during 1985 revealed that beneficiaries were able to set up units in 76 per cent of cases assisted. The SEPUP Scheme was launched from September 1, 1986 and the impact of the scheme will be known after it is in operation for some time.

(b) The objectives of both the schemes are to provide self employment opportunities. While assistance under SEEUY is given where the beneficiary's annual family income does not exceed Rs. 10,000/-, in the case of SEPUP beneficiary's monthly income should not exceed Rs. 600/-.

(c) Under SEEUY Scheme, the DIC Task Force constituted for the purpose selects the beneficiaries. Under SEPUP selection of beneficiaries is done by a Committee of Bankers. The Banks' branches are required to appraise the applications and examine the viability of the proposed activity before sanctioning loans. The banks' are also required to supervise and monitor the end-use of funds advanced by them. In the case of misutilisation of funds' the bank may recall the entire amount of loan.

(d) Development Commissioner, Small Scale Industries coordinates monitoring of SEEUY Scheme at the Central level. There are also monitoring cells at the State level. On the basis of periodical reports submitted by DIC/State Directorate Industries, progress under the Scheme is reviewed by banks in DCC|SLBC meetings in which State Government representatives also participate.

(e) There is a District Level Advisory Committee consisting, *inter-alia*, of non-officials including MPs and MLAs for over-seeing the functioning of DICs including implementation of the SEEUY Scheme. SEPUP is implemented by public sector banks. There is no proposals at present for associating non-officials in any other way in SEEUY as well as SEPUP Schemes.

Lowering of imoprt. duty on electronic components

2827. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the World Bank has suggested lowering of import duties on components and also for a free flow of foreign funds and technology for establishing an electronic industry in India;

(b) if so, what is the reaction of the Indian electronics industry on the said suggestion of the World Bank; and

(c) what decision Government have taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (c) The World Bank

staff has prepared a draft report entitled "India — Development of the Electronics Industry — a Sector Report". This is an internal document of the World Bank. While the staff report has considered various issues related to the Electronics Industry, the World Bank as such has not made recommendations to the Government of India in this regard. Any decisions on concerned matters will be taken strictly according to India's own priorities and policies.

Productivity linked bonus

2828. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an *ex gratia* amount, equal to the productivity linked bonus is being paid to the Railway employees whose wages exceed Rs. 2500 but do not exceed Rs. 3500 per month;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the said benefit is being denied to the Central Government employees working in other Central Departments/Organisations; and

(c) if so, what are the reasons therefor and by when a decision in this regard is likely to be taken to redress their grievances?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B. K. GADHVI): (a) Railway employees (excluding those belonging to Railway Protection Force/Railway Protection Special Force) drawing wages exceeding Rs. 2500 per month but not exceeding Rs. 3500 per month were allowed an *ex gratia* payment equal to Productivity Linked Bonus as admissible on wages of Rs. 1600 per month, for the accounting year 1986-87.

(b) and (c) In view of the current austerity measures, the expenditure involved and the likely repercussions, it has been decided not to raise the eligibility ceiling of Rs. 2500 per month applicable in the case of Bonus schemes in force in other Government Departments.

2829. [*Transferred to the 23rd March, 1988*]

Construction of new jails in the country

2830. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the places in the country where new jails were constructed during the last three years, Statewise;

(b) what are the names of the places where the construction work was started but could not be completed as on 31st December, 1987;

(c) what are the names of the places in the country where new jails are likely to be constructed during the years 1988-89 and 1989-90, Statewise;

(d) what are the details of amenities to be provided to the prisoners in such new jails; and

(e) what steps are being taken to ensure that dangerous prisoners do not run away from these jails?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) to (e) Requisite information on receipt from the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations shall be placed on the Table of the House.

Visit of a New Zealand trade delegation to India

2831. SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a New Zealand trade delegation visited